

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A method for tracking the allocation of resources within a document storage repository containing a user account having a user storage total and a document distributor account having a document distributor storage total. The method can include identifying a user account containing a document, the document having an attribute that defines an author of the document as a document distributor or a general user, and a storage amount defining the amount of the document storage repository used by the document. The document can be analyzed to determine whether the attribute defines the author of the document as either a document distributor or a general user. In the event that the document distributor is the author, the storage amount associated with the document is excluded from a user storage total and included in the storage total of the document distributor.

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